## **Export Certification Program – Russian Federation**

### I. Purpose

USDA-AMS, Poultry Programs, Grading Branch will assist in providing certification required for poultry products exported to the Russian Federation. Poultry Programs personnel may be used to perform the certifications necessary for products being exported from ports in compliance with the parameters set forth. The following guidelines provide criteria for these certifications.

## II. AMS Authority

The Export Certification Program is provided in accordance with these guidelines, and the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended.

#### III. Procedures

Transport certifications for the Russian Federation consist of several requirements that must be satisfied prior to shipment. Product for export will be subject to a packing condition examination to identify any damaged boxes, transport vehicle sanitation inspection to assure sanitary storage during shipment, and certificate verification to identify product certified for export to the Russian Federation. Transport certification will be performed by AMS employees only when Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS) personnel are not available to perform such certifications.

For transport vehicles such as ocean vessel containers loaded at an FSIS inspected facility, export certification duties are the responsibility of the FSIS inspector at that location. When FSIS inspectors perform the export certification on product at an inspected facility and the transport vehicle will be loaded directly onto the cargo ship, no further AMS inspection is necessary. If product is loaded from locations that are not under FSIS inspection, AMS personnel will perform the transport vehicle sanitation examination, packing container condition examination, certificate review and issue a PY 210 Poultry Products Grading Certificate for all applicable products.

Final consolidated export certifications covering an entire shipment will be made by FSIS veterinary officers using supporting documentation from FSIS or the PY 210's issued by AMS.

### A. Transport Vehicle Inspection

A portion of the export certification requires inspection of transport vehicles for cleanliness and sanitation. All transport vehicles, including ocean vessel containers and cargo ship holds shall be inspected for compliance with this requirement.

Transport vehicles are to be inspected by visual examination prior to loading. The vehicle will be inspected for soundness, condition, and cleanliness, and that it adequately protects the intended cargo. The vehicle must be free of dirt, debris, odors, or other materials that may potentially contaminate or affect the product. If the initial sanitation check reveals no unsanitary condition, no further action is necessary.

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If the examination identifies an unsanitary condition, product may not be placed into the transport vehicle until it is cleaned, sanitized and re-inspected. It is not necessary to supervise the sanitizing process, however, documented evidence of sanitizing of the transport vessel is to be provided to the AMS representative prior to product being loaded. Records shall include the name of the person(s) performing the sanitizing, type, strength and duration of sanitizer, and the date/time of sanitizing. Sanitizing may be accomplished by using any chemical or method intended for that purpose and in the manner specified by the directions for use.

When unsanitary conditions have been identified, appropriate follow-up actions are to be reviewed by the AMS representative prior to allowing product to be loaded. Incomplete or non-existent records of sanitation will require the transport vehicle to be re-sanitized prior to loading.

Results of the sanitation inspection are to be documented on the attached worksheet. All sanitation deficiencies are to be documented in the "Remarks" section of the form. List each specific deficiency, the management official contacted and corrective action taken.

#### B. Certificate Review

When loading transport vehicles, product that is presented for export certification must be accompanied by an FSIS certificate Veterinary Certificate for Export of Poultry Meat to the Russian Federation Form 9450-4 dated 8/27/02. The FSIS certificate must include the product identification information indicated in Section 1 of the certificate.

The certificate review will consist of verification that the product loaded for shipment is the product identified on the applicable FSIS certificate. Labels and markings on the product will be compared to the information listed on the FSIS certificate to assure that the appropriate product is being exported. Product presented for shipping that does not correspond to any FSIS certificates provided will not be certified as meeting Russian Federation requirements. Product that does not have proper FSIS certification is not eligible for export to the Russian Federation.

## C. Packing Container Condition Examination

Break bulk shipments (product loaded directly into the hold of a cargo ship) will undergo a scanning examination prior to loading to identify obviously damaged containers. The container examination may take place at the same time as the certificate and label review.

Condition examinations of the packing containers of poultry products for export will be performed by AMS personnel as detailed in Section 10, Packaging and Packing of the Poultry Graders Handbook. Condition examinations are to be limited to type and condition of packing containers (boxes). Items to observe will include evidence of mishandling, thawing and re-freezing, obvious damage to the master containers and missing strapping. Damage to the boxes must not affect usability or structural integrity. A small hole or tear in the box will be allowed as long as the primary packages are intact and usability or structural integrity of the box is not affected. Pallets containing damaged boxes will be retained until the damaged boxes are removed or replaced. Other methods of controlling damaged boxes at loading may be approved by the Federal State supervisor.

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Defects are to be recorded on the attached worksheet. A "hash mark" representing each defect is to be entered in the applicable defect column. The columns on the left-hand side of the worksheet are to be completed so as to assist the grader in tracking the product to the applicable FSIS certificate.

#### IV. Certification

The AMS grader will provide the certification for the eligible product on the PY 210 Poultry Products Grading Certificate. An official case count will not be performed during the certification process. The total number of cases listed on the FSIS 9450-4 certificate(s) will be the entered into the "number of cases per lot" and "Total Number of Containers" blocks on the PY 210. An example of certificate preparation with the appropriate statements is attached. Additionally, record the FSIS Form 9450-4 certificate numbers representing the poultry products. Since the number of FSIS certificates can be numerous for an export shipment of this nature, an attachment to the certificate has been included in this instruction to assist in capturing this information.

#### A. Certificate Distribution

The original and one copy of the PY 210 shall be distributed to the applicant or designated representative. It is the applicant's responsibility to provide the PY 210 certificate to the FSIS Veterinary Officer issuing the second signature on the FSIS Export Certificate. Additional copies may be furnished to the applicant when requested. The remaining copies will be distributed as outlined in AMS Instruction 929-7 Billing and Document Preparation.

#### IV. Fees for Service

The cost of the export certification activities, including travel time, per diem and related expenses are the responsibility of the party requesting the service. Expenses will be based on the current fee rates published in the Federal Register.

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#### POULTRY PRODUCTS **GRADING CERTIFICATE**



This certificate is receivable in all courts of the United States as prima facie evidence of the truth of the statements therein contained. This certificate does not excuse failure to comply with any of the regulatory laws enforced by the United States Department of Agriculture.

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## **Export Certification Program**

# **Sanitation Checklist Russian Federation**

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## **Addendum to PY 210 Poultry Products Certificate**

To be attached to PY 210 Poultry Products Grading Certificate number PPA

USDA Certificate Number	Date of Certificate	Number of cases	Net Weight (lbs)	Number of cases rejected due to packing defects
Signed:	1	1	Date:	1

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## **Packing Defects Worksheet**

Date:	Location:
Cargo Ship Name:	Grader:

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<sup>\* -</sup> Defects that affect usability or structural integrity

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